

ATROCITIES UNDERSTATED

Belgian Bishops Assert That the Charges Are Authentic

HOLD VILLAGE TO VILLAGE INQUIRY

Asked a Joint Investigation with the Germans — To Make Letter Public

Paris, Jan. 11.—The bishops of Belgium have sent a collective letter to Austrian and German bishops replying to denials by the prelates of the two empires that the allegations respecting German atrocities in Belgium are authentic, says the Rome correspondent of the Petit Parisien. "The Belgian bishops who signed the letter affirm that they themselves conducted an investigation, village by village, which demonstrated that the report of the official Belgian committee underestimated the facts, if anything."

"To cut short the controversy, they proposed the formation of a court composed of an equal number of Belgian bishops and neutral prelates. Such a court could see and judge what the Germans actually did in Belgium. The writers of the letter say that if it be true that it is the first duty of the clergy to sacrifice all to the truth; the bishops of the central empires cannot decline to accept this proposal."

"This letter was written on Nov. 28, and thus far has not been answered. Several Belgian prelates are on the way to Rome. It is understood their purpose is to make their letter public. Those who have seen the text of the letter declare its publication would have a profound effect and it is understood the Vatican is endeavoring to prevent such action."

The Belgian official press bureau gave out the following note yesterday: "Monsieur Heylen, bishop of Namur (Belgium), who is passing through Switzerland on his way to Rome, confirms the previous statement that he wrote a long answer to the German White Book (concerning allegations of German atrocities in Belgium), and sent it to General Von Bissing, German military governor of Belgium, to foreign diplomats and consuls in Belgium, to the Vatican and to the Belgian episcopate. He did this in November."

"More recently Cardinal Mercier (primate of Belgium), together with the bishops of Namur, Liege and Tournai, addressed a letter to the German episcopate asking that it intervene with the imperial government to obtain an official inquiry into charges of German atrocities in Belgium. This letter has not been answered."

TOLLS AMENDMENT IN.

Senator Fall Introduces Measure That May Renew Exemption Fight.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Panama canal tolls exemption for American coastwise ships and ships of Pan-American nations in commerce with the Americas, is the object of an amendment to the Panama canal act introduced yesterday by Senator Fall, Republican of New Mexico. The bill, if passed, would precipitate a renewal of the fight which resulted in repeal of the tolls exemption in the last Congress.

Politeness Didn't Pay.

"I noticed," said the husband, "you didn't say 'thank you' to the man who gave you his seat in the car this evening."

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SAYS PROGRESSIVES ACCOMPLISHED MUCH

George W. Perkins Also Believes That They Will Accomplish Much More for the Good of Their Country.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—George W. Perkins, at a dinner given by him to members of the Progressive national committee last night, on the eve of its meeting to prepare for the coming campaign, answered what he termed the "persistent charge" that our leaders have abandoned their course" by pointing to the fact that at the meeting to-day practically every state will be represented by a national committeeman from the Progressive party, all with the determined purpose to serve their country's interests.

"As is always the case in great moral struggles," Mr. Perkins said, "we have had many discouragements, but now on the eve of the meeting of our national committee, I am sure I voice the sentiment of every man present and the thousands of loyal men and women whom he represents, when I say that we are glad we engaged in the struggle; that we have accomplished a vast deal of good for our country and, God willing, will accomplish a vast deal more."

"To the constant and persistent charge that our leaders have abandoned their cause, that our party is a mere paper organization, that we have failed and have surrendered to the men who forced the fight upon us, we answer that at to-morrow's meeting practically every state in this union will be represented by a national committeeman from the Progressive party; that 90 per cent of the men who led the fight in 1912 will be here in person or represented at to-morrow's meeting—all with one determined purpose, viz., to use their best judgment, expressed through the highest patriotism, to serve their country's broadest interests."

"Our country is now entering the preliminary stages of a great national campaign. It is essentially a time for the broadest and highest order of statesmanship and patriotism. The question to be settled by our people and the leader to be selected to guide the destinies of this country in the next momentous four years are of the utmost importance to our present and future welfare. At no time since the Civil war has our country faced problems of such vast magnitude as those that will be forced by the next administration. The results of the present war are bound to open up a new world, economically, religiously, patriotically. Our country needs leadership—leadership with vision, courage, patriotism, in order to reach a wise solution of the problems confronting us."

The Democratic party has utterly failed in vision, in courage, in patriotism. At its hands we are now enjoying prosperity through accident and preparing for adversity through neglect. At its hands our national honor is sullied at home and degraded abroad."

The leaders of the Republican party are speechless in our country's great crisis. Only a few days ago they met at Washington just as Congress was convening for one of the most important sessions in the history of our country, and the men who claim to represent the great, old, time-honored Republican party—the men who claim to represent the hundreds of thousands of patriotic, forward-looking members of that party, apparently could not think of a thing to say to the country."

"Finding as we do at this hour of crisis in the affairs of the world the so-called leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties utterly unable to rise to the occasion it behooves us to deliberate earnestly, patriotically, and by our action to-morrow show the people of this country that we are thinking of needs of the people."

"The course we take must be constructive, not destructive. And when we announce the result of our deliberations, whatever it may be, we must announce it in no uncertain manner, and after we have announced it we must be prepared to back it up to the very last trench."

Weather Conditions Cut Cigar Sales by Thousands of Dollars.

In the January American Magazine a writer tells of a big tobacco company in New York City that studies human nature in connection with the weather and knows to a penny how much both will affect its sales.

"This cigar company with its one thousand stores has figures that reveal many traits of human nature. For example, it knows almost to the penny how much loss of sales will result from a certain velocity of wind. A rainy day, or a windy day, in New York, generally speaking, will cost the company about four thousand dollars. The reason is obvious: It is not pleasant to smoke in a high wind. Many men do their smoking while walking along the street—because anti-smoking regulations prevent them from doing so in street cars, or in certain buildings. If they are driven into street cars or buildings by wind or rain they do without a smoke."

"Pa, what is affection?" "Affection, my boy, is carrying three extra tires on an automobile that never gets more than four blocks away from a garage."—Detroit Free Press.

SCOTT SOUNDS WARNING

United States Must Have a Million Men or Accept Disaster

FORESEES GARRISON'S PLAN OR CONSCRIPTION

A Continental Army Would Not Interfere with the National Guard

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Major-General Scott, chief of staff of the army, told the House military committee at the army bill hearing yesterday that in the event of war the country must have an army of one million to two million men or "accept disaster."

The chief of staff reiterated Secretary Garrison's view that if the continental army plan failed there was no escape from compulsory service. Every country at war in Europe realized that, he said, and he expressed the view that England might have better realized it sooner.

General Scott said that under a service system, which laid the burden alike upon all men between eighteen and twenty-one as a public duty, an adequate army could be maintained for what now is paid for the small standing army. He thought the pay under such a system should be merely nominal. Of the efficiency of the regular army, he said:

"Our organizations, as far as they go, compare favorably with the troops of any foreign power."

School training was desirable but not practical because of lack of control by the federal government, the general thought. He believed it would not be necessary to provide additional military academies to train officers needed for the proposed mobile army of 500,000 men.

The plan of the administration as a measure of self-defense, he said, was not proposed in the anticipation of a war. He believed organization of the continental army would not interfere with recruiting for the national guard, because the two forces would appeal to different classes of men. He added that training in the continentals would produce better soldiers than the national guard system.

GIRL IN TROUBLE OVER RING.

Charged With Taking Circlet Escort Allowed Her to Try On.

New York, Jan. 11.—A handsome well-dressed girl, about 22, who said she is a student at a Brooklyn, Mass., business college, but refused to give her name, was arrested early yesterday charged with stealing a ring from Hal Halton, an agent for the British government. Halton said he met the girl in Churchill's restaurant and allowed her to put his ring on her finger, but that she refused to return it. The girl declared the ring belonged to her.

Wilson a Candidate.

Only a few months ago President Wilson requested his fellow-partisans in New Jersey not to declare for him for another presidential term. For his dignified course in this particular he received wide commendation. But the popular primaries prevent his adhering any longer to so idealistic a policy. Through Thomas J. Pence, secretary of the Democratic national committee, with or without authority, and over the long distance telephone which saves the necessity of record of even Pence's actual words, the Indiana Democrats, who are to go into the primaries on March 7, have learned of the willingness of the president to stand for another nomination. And, of course, it will be accorded to him without serious contest.

It is time that political conventions abandoned the nonsense of a one-term plank. They put it in, never to stick to it. Mr. Cleveland in 1884 declared himself for a single presidential term. He was destined three times to bear the banner of his party and twice to bear it to victory. Mr. Bryan has been a life-long adherent of the one-term idea, but has happily been relieved—through no fault of his own—from the necessity of facing the temptation to which Wilson and Cleveland yielded.

Jefferson's theory of the two terms remains essentially sound; he believed

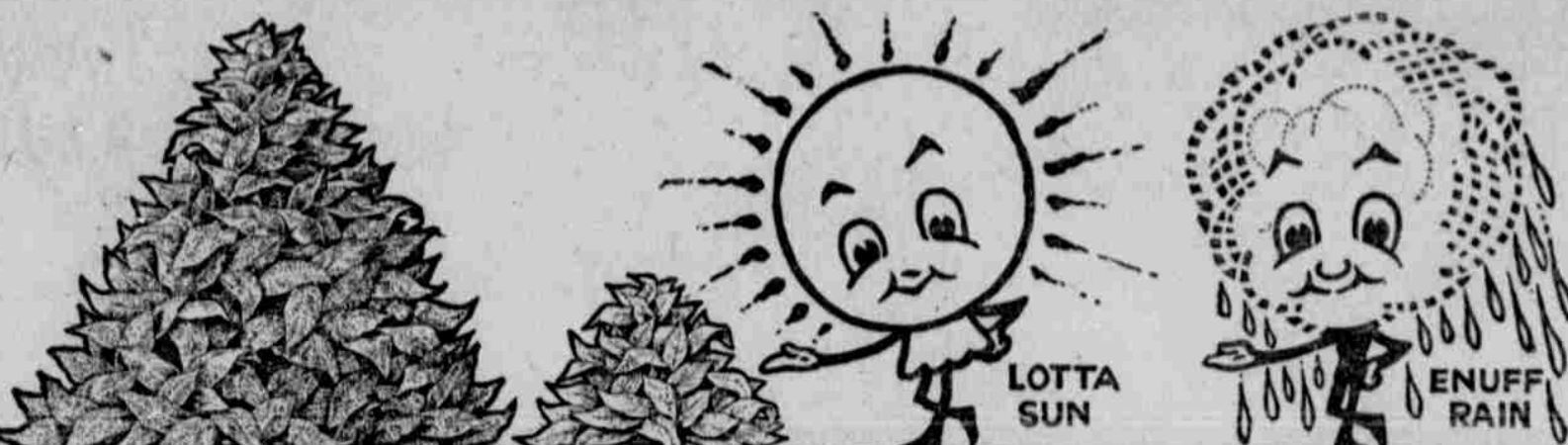
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term Lincoln, Grant, Harrison, McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft, four of whom found emphatic endorsement at the polls. The Democracy, while more disposed to lean toward the one-term idea, as would

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